

Memorandum

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SUBJECT: Cedar Chemical Security Contract
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On September 22, 2009 bidders submitted quotes for the security contract at the former Cedar Chemical Facility, which are found in the attached document. None of the bidders supplied information regarding their company's policies.

The contract document stipulates on page five (5) under *Awarding Instructions* that the contract will be awarded for the monthly amount. Mary Jane with Arkansas State Procurement has said before not to go by the hourly rate and to go by the monthly rate. Therefore, DRS Services is the lowest bidder and should be awarded the contract.

DRS will not be able to exceed the monthly bid amount submitted (\$6,720.00). Based on their monthly bid amount, the hourly rate for a 30.33 day month is \$9.24/hr. Given that the federal minimum wage is currently at \$7.25/hr, they may be able to meet the federal minimum wage mandate and still cover their ancillary cost.